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### ***Commercial Red Snapper Season Opens October 1***

BILOXI, Miss. – The commercial fishing season for red snapper (*Lutjanus campechanus*) will open Oct. 1, 2004 at noon by order of the Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources. The season will close Oct. 10, 2004 at noon.

Thereafter, the season will open the first day of the month at noon and close the tenth day of the month at noon or until the National Marine Fisheries Service determines the fall commercial red snapper quota (1.55 million pounds) has been reached.

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is dedicated to enhancing, protecting and conserving marine interests of the State by managing all marine life, public trust wetlands, adjacent uplands and waterfront areas to provide for the optimal commercial, recreational, educational and economic uses of these resources consistent with environmental concerns and social changes. Visit the DMR online at [www.dmr.state.ms.us](http://www.dmr.state.ms.us).

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